

NO SECURITY FOR MUNSEY MILLION

Deposit Charged to National Banks Not Legally Obligated for Amount.

U. S. TRUST SECURITIES MAY BE WORTHLESS

Under Bank Act Collection Can Be Enjoined by Dissatisfied Stockholders.

[From The Tribune Bureau.] Washington, Dec. 8.—One million dollars of the United States government's money has been deposited with the Munsey Trust Company for which the government has not a shred of legal security.

This deposit, made by Assistant Secretary John Skelton Williams, on November 22, has been charged to the national banks of the District of Columbia on the books of the Treasury, but the banks, which have been consulting their attorneys, find they are not legally obligated for the amount.

There was no representative of the Treasury Department at the conference of bankers at which this deposit was proposed. Those who spoke for the Treasury Department were R. Lancaster Williams, a director of the Munsey Trust Company, and Stuart Oliver, the personal representative of Frank A. Munsey; neither of them connected with the United States Treasury in any official capacity.

A part of the agreement into which these men entered with the national bankers of Washington was that Frank A. Munsey should deposit with the Munsey Trust Company \$500,000 in cash. That part of the agreement has been repudiated by Mr. Munsey, so that it is now a question if the bankers are even in honor bound to protect the government from loss.

At the close of business to-day the efforts of the national banks to induce Frank A. Munsey to make good the promise of his representative, Stuart Oliver, that Mr. Munsey would deposit in his trust company \$500,000 in cash had availed nothing; but the declaration of the lawyers that the banks were not legally responsible for the \$1,000,000 deposited with that company tended to allay in some degree the impetuosity of the bankers.

Collection May Be Enjoined.

The securities of the United States Trust Company, which John Skelton Williams accepted as the primary collateral for the \$1,000,000 which he deposited in the Munsey Trust Company, may prove worthless in the hands of the Treasury, it is pointed out by counsel for the bankers, for the reason that under the national bank act the Treasury can have no legal relations with a trust company, and the collection of these securities is liable at any time to be enjoined by any dissatisfied stockholder of the United States Trust Company.

Grave question is also raised as to the legal right of the Treasury Department to accept the securities of a trust company with which, under the law, it cannot sustain business relations.

"One million dollars in cash was deposited with the eleven national banks of this city this morning, on the receipt of proper security by the Treasury, this money going through the Clearing House to meet the needs of the Munsey Trust Company," said John Skelton Williams in the official statement of November 22. The fact is that the money was deposited directly in the Munsey Trust Company, that the security accepted had not been received from the national banks, nor indorsed by them, and that it is now found that because proper legal precautions were neglected this security may be rendered worthless in the hands of the Treasury Department by the action of any stockholder of the United States Trust Company.

No one, it is asserted by counsel for the bankers, is responsible for the 2 per cent interest which it is customary

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WOMAN MAYOR FOR DAY

Atlantic City Commissioners Rest from Their Labors.

Atlantic City, Dec. 8.—For the first time in the history of this resort, the reins of government were to-day in the hands of a woman as acting Mayor. The five Commissioners were absent for the day, and the municipal duties thereupon devolved upon Miss Jessie M. Townsend, the City Controller, who is twenty-seven years old. When the commission government went into effect here Miss Townsend was appointed Controller. Her salary is \$2,500 a year.

TO REPAIR BACKBONE

Physicians Will Graft Part of Man's Leg to His Spine.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.] New Britain, Conn., Dec. 8.—Wilson Hancock, of this city, whose back was broken in an automobile accident in Canajoharie, N. Y., two months ago, will undergo an unusual operation. Physicians have decided to graft to his spine a six-inch piece of bone, which will be removed from one of his legs. Up to the time of the accident Hancock was a pianist in a moving picture theatre in Jamestown, N. Y. After the injury he was taken to the Post-Graduate Hospital, in New York, but it was not until some time later that it was discovered that his back was broken.

PRIEST KILLED BY TRAIN

Broken Gate at Crossing Causes Father Troina's Death.

South Orange, N. J., Dec. 8.—At one of the most dangerous grade crossings on the Lackawanna system a Roman Catholic priest was struck and killed this evening by a train on that road. His body was hurled about 200 feet through the door of a coal office.

The gates at the crossing were out of order and the priest, unfamiliar with railroading in this country, started to cross the tracks, when the train struck him.

The dead man, Father Francis Troina, came to this country from Italy June 18 with two of his sisters, and since his arrival in this country had been living with a brother-in-law at No. 268 Norfolk street, Newark. The body was taken there to-night.

FINDS "DEAD" WIFE ALIVE

Man Identifies Aphasia Victim—Sees Plot in Illness.

Harold Garrison, of Irvington, visited the City Hospital, Newark, last night and identified the young woman who was brought to the institution on Saturday, apparently an aphasia victim, as his wife, Florence Garrison, twenty-four years old.

Garrison said that he had been separated from his wife for two years. He heard that she was in an institution in Rhode Island and thought she was dead. Last week he visited her sister in Brooklyn and learned otherwise.

Garrison says he believes she was brought here and abandoned by her relatives.

The woman was found at noon on Saturday near Centre Market. She carried a card on which was written: "Please send this woman to the city dispensary. She can't talk."

WED UNWITTINGLY IN HER PITY PACT

Girl Sought to Humor Invalid Suitor by Ceremony—Now They Will Sever Bonds.

When Miss Lillian D. Post, whose home is with her mother, at No. 2103 Mercer street, Jersey City, married George Lester Lary, November 18, 1903, she did so because she was sorry for him.

He had just recovered from typhoid fever and pneumonia and he said that Miss Post was the cause of his illness. She was then eighteen years old.

Lary, who was twenty years old, was so pale and emaciated that Miss Post consented to meet him in New York and go before a clergyman. They were married by a minister, but neither knew that a marriage ceremony was being performed and they never lived together.

Both Miss Post and Lary believed the ceremony to be only a sort of engagement pact.

It was not until 1909 that the young woman discovered that she was Mrs. Lary. She sued in the Supreme Court of New York for an annulment of the marriage. Lary, who put in no defense, appeared before the referee appointed to hear the case and testified in favor of annulling the marriage.

Lary said that he never considered Miss Post his wife or that he had been legally married. The referee recommended that a decree of annulment be granted.

\$110,000 FOR REMBRANDT

Picture of Artist's Father Bought by Chicago Woman.

Chicago, Dec. 8.—Mrs. W. W. Kimball to-night announced the purchase of a Rembrandt for \$110,000.

The painting was a part of the Budapest collection of the Rembrandts. It is a likeness of Rembrandt's father, and was painted in 1630.

Gutman Held in \$50,000 Bail

Moses Gutman, who was brought back from Santiago de Chile to answer to five indictments charging him with forgery, pleaded not guilty yesterday before Judge Swann in General Sessions. His bail was fixed at \$50,000.

DEATH IN TRAIL OF 85-MILE GALE

Man Confused by Wind Is Prey to Fire Auto—Falling Wall Kills Another.

THREE BADLY HURT AS BRIDGE COLLAPSES

Sudden Gust Lifts Woman's Hat and Tosses It Over Downtown Skyscraper.

New York's weather geni went out for a new record yesterday, and with the aid of rain, sleet, snow, a freezing temperature and a wind which at 7 o'clock last night was sweeping the city at a velocity of eighty-five miles an hour brought death, injuries and damage to property in every borough.

The casualties began early in the day on the Jersey side of the river. Anthony Carmon, a laborer at the Ringwalt linoleum mills, near New Brunswick, was killed when a brick wall gave way to the wind and fell upon him. A fellow workman was so badly injured that he was hurried to the hospital. He may not live.

As the gale swept the Raritan River Valley houses were blown down and trees uprooted.

Bridge Down: Three Hurt.

At Paterson the wind demolished a bridge on which three men were working. Dennis Shanahan, of Hoboken, had his scalp nearly torn off; William Brown, of Boonton, broke his right shoulder, and John Hamilton, of No. 276 Sussex street, Paterson, had both legs broken. All are in St. Joseph's Hospital there.

The wind, which during the early hours of the morning had strewn the streets with hats, torn signs from their hangings and made walking difficult, soon assumed a more serious aspect. Several large windows in upper Broadway were blown in. Fences, chimneys, telegraph poles and trees were swept down in Brooklyn, badly impeding traffic.

The first casualty in the city happened at Eighth avenue and 57th street. A man, his head bowed against the gale, walked in front of Fire Auto Truck No. 156, which ran him down and killed him instantly. The body was taken to the Morgue.

The Rev. Henry L. Meyers, eighty-six years old, of No. 906 West 141st street, lost his footing owing to the high wind in Broadway, at 73d street, and fell, breaking his left leg. He was taken to the Polytechnic Hospital.

Margaret Mahan, of No. 145 Broadway avenue, was thrown against an automobile and knocked down. She fell on the curb, fracturing her jaw. She was taken to the New York Hospital.

Wind Pranks at Woolworth.

The freaks furnished by the wind's power were as striking as its serious offences. The Woolworth Building easily outdid the Flatiron in providing amusement for the crowds, and at noon, while traffic was heaviest, the new downtown giant juggled a woman's hat, to the vast pleasure of several thousands.

A woman was passing the front of the Woolworth when a gust of wind lifted her hat from her head and shot it straight up on the face of the building to a height of twenty stories. It seemed to hang for a moment, when another gust carried it up until it floated a hundred feet above the tower, a tiny speck in the sky.

As it drifted toward St. Paul's Chapel the excited owner, leaving a trail of hairpins, hurried south in Broadway, evidently determined to recover the hat. By some whim of the air currents the availing headgear suddenly swooped down and started rapidly north by the Woolworth Building again. As it reached the northeast corner it took another shot upward.

The woman, her eyes still glued to the hat, charged up Broadway again, cheered by the crowds and followed by a mob of howling office boys. As she reached the corner of Park Place the hat started south again. It swung in a graceful curve over the Postoffice Building and again started north over Park Row.

Money and Jewels Scattered.

The excited owner, her retinue increased by several hundreds, again stuck to the trail. As the crowd ran toward newspaper row it seemed certain that the hat would scale the buildings to the east and land in the river. However, it suddenly dived toward the earth, coming to a landing in front of the Horace Greeley statue in front of the Tribune Building, where the woman, somewhat dishevelled and out of breath, captured it and ducked away through the crowd.

Mrs. Mollie Anderson, of No. 1243 Park avenue, was walking south in West End avenue last night when she had occasion to open her handbag. A moment later \$50 in bills, two rings, one set with five diamonds, and two bank books were lying scattered about the avenue. A patrolman rescued \$17 in bills, but none of the other property was recovered.

The week-end fleet of transatlantic and coastwise steamships that had been retarded by north and northwest gales arrived in quarantine in the forenoon yesterday, but few were able to get to their piers until late in the afternoon.

TO ASK COLLEGE ABOUT MISS M'CANN

Police Want to Know if He Can Explain Her Disappearance.

CITY IS SEARCHED FOR MISSING GIRL

Mabel Moulton, Whose Mother Feared for Her, Has Been Heard From.

Finding no trace of Jessie Evelyn McCann, friends who have helped detectives search the city, fear that the missing girl may be forcibly detained. Suspicion runs all the way from accidental death to the recent theory of the "poison needle," but nothing definite has been discovered, and in its mystery the case to-day bids fair to equal that of Dorothy Arnold.

The parents of Mabel Vera Moulton, who was also reported missing, said last night that they believed the girl was with her married sister, Mrs. Joseph Palladino, of No. 743 East 22nd street, The Bronx. Mrs. Palladino denied Mabel's presence, but admitted she knew where Mabel was. She said the girl would be taken home to-day.

The whereabouts of Miss McCann, the young Sunday school teacher and settlement house worker, who disappeared Thursday from her home, No. 438 East 21st street, Flatbush, is, if possible, more of a mystery than ever. Robert G. McCann, of the wholesale firm of Austin, Nichols & Co., returned to his home late last night exhausted by his search throughout the city with his son.

"We have searched everywhere," he said, "walked the streets in the hope of finding some trace of her and part of the day accompanied by Detectives Ryerson and Stapleton, of Brooklyn Police Headquarters, we visited the hospitals and morgues, but without result. We have also visited all of the men friends of 'Sis,' all of whom insist that they are unable to give us the slightest inkling of where she might be."

Not alone were the father and brothers of the young woman active in the search, but assistance was given by members of the Epworth League of the St. Mark's Methodist Episcopal Church, Flatbush, where she occasionally taught a Sunday school class.

Brother Denies Rumor.

Robert G. McCann, Jr., the elder of the two brothers, scoffed at a report that the girl's whereabouts could possibly be accounted for by a college student, who, if he is not at present with her, at least knows where she is. Detectives, working with vigor, since Mayor Kline, a friend of the family, was appealed to, are hunting for the college man.

The brothers said last night that their sister's friends were all friends of theirs. She had many admirers, all of whom, according to the family, were held in the same regard. There were none, they said, that laid claim to her affections.

Mr. McCann and his eldest son visited Police Headquarters yesterday afternoon with Inspector Faurot, in charge of the detective bureau, and there searched through the records which might have some bearing on the disappearance of his daughter. Nothing of any consequence was found. When ready to leave, the father gave to the reporters an accurate description of the girl and asked that the following be printed, in the hope of the girl, if still living, seeing it:

"For God's sake, Sis, come home to your broken hearted parents! Your mother is prostrated, and will die if you do not return soon."

Miss McCann is twenty-three years old, five feet seven inches tall, about 120 pounds, light complexion, with brown hair and eyes. When she left her home Thursday morning to go to the Home for Destitute Children, No. 217 Sterling Place, Brooklyn, she wore a brown satin dress, brown fur wrap, velvet Tam O'Shanter hat with an orange plume, a set of black furs and black shoes with cloth tops to match her dress. The only jewelry worn was a signet ring with the initials "J. E. M." and a gold bracelet, on which was engraved "Sis." The only money she is known to have had with her was 10 cents.

Fear Mental Breakdown.

Mrs. McCann, mother of the girl, said she was of the opinion that her daughter was suffering from a mental breakdown. About two months ago she talked with her and advised her to go to the family physician, Dr. Roger Durham, of No. 322 Park Place, Brooklyn. Despite her generally robust health she had been given recently to weeping and nervous spells. She had been seized with a crying spell on the Thursday morning she left her home, and it was only after her mother consoled with her that she recovered herself.

According to Dr. Durham, his patient had complained to him of not feeling quite herself and confided in him that she was much worried over her mother's health. She also seemed annoyed because of a fanciful feeling that she was not as bright mentally as other young women of her acquaintance.

Dr. Siegart's ANGSTURA BITTERS, world's famous tonic, delicious flavoring, all deserts—Advt.

JESSIE E. M'CANN.



MABEL V. MOULTON.

STEFANSSON'S SHIP LOST IN ARCTIC ICE

Karluk, with 25 Aboard, Drifts Away While Explorer Is Ashore.

Ottawa, Dec. 8.—Somewhere within the confines of the Arctic Circle, Vilhjalmur Stefansson's stanch little vessel, the Karluk, is drifting, safely frozen in an ice pack.

But the leader of the expedition is not with his vessel and is unaware of its whereabouts, according to a dispatch received to-day from the explorer himself by George J. Desbarats, Deputy Minister of Naval Affairs and acting Minister of Marine and Fisheries.

Stefansson's message states that believing the Karluk safe in the ice in longitude west 147, fifteen miles offshore, he took a party ashore with him to hunt. The next day heavy gales sprang up and then a fog. When the weather cleared the Karluk was not in sight and had undoubtedly been carried away by the wind which drove the ice pack offshore.

So far, the search for the Karluk has been unsuccessful, but as there is a crew of twenty-five men on board and plenty of provisions, no anxiety is felt for its welfare.

Stefansson Sends Message.

The message received to-day was dated October 30, from Point Barrow, Alaska, and was sent overland from there to Circle, from where it was dispatched on December 5. The message reads:

"The Karluk, beset by heavy ice on August 12, in longitude west 147, fifteen miles offshore. Ship frozen in on August 17 and drifted with the ice until September 10, when the drift stopped. On September 20, believing the ship fast for the winter, and as it was necessary to secure fresh meat, I took Jensen, McConnell, Wilkins and three Eskimoes ashore to hunt.

"Northeast gales sprang up on September 22, with snow and fog. When the storm cleared, on the 24th, the ice had gone and the Karluk with it. The ice undoubtedly went west before the wind. The Karluk may possibly have broken free and steamed east, but she probably remained fast and drifted west with the ice.

"Followed the coast west to Barrow, but the Karluk has not been sighted. The schooners Sachs and Alaska, with southern party, are safe at Collinson Point. The schooner Belvidere, with cargo of freight and provisions, is wintering near the international boundary.

New Expedition Planned.

"I am planning an ice expedition from the 145th meridian to the Mackenzie delta, making survey and taking soundings for steamer route.

"The Karluk has on board a company of twenty-five, including Beuchat, Mackay, Mamen, McKinley, Murray and Malloch, with the members of the crew and five Eskimo.

(Signed)

"Stefansson." The last message previous to to-day's was received from Stefansson early in August. At that time he reported that the Karluk had behaved well in a heavy storm and had rounded Point Hope on July 21.

Those ashore with Stefansson now are Dr. D. J. Jennes, of Wellington, N. Z., assistant anthropologist; Burt M. Wilkins, of Montreal, the photographer; E. M. McConnell, Los Angeles, California, assistant to Stefansson and meteorologist.

The other scientific men who remain

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HUERTA FAMILY IN FLIGHT FROM CITY OF MEXICO

Other Government Supporters Join Movement Toward Border.

REBELS CLOSING IN ON MEXICO CITY

Advance Nearer to Capital at Each Conflict with Federals.

PREPARE FOR WORST

Refugees May Seek Safety on American Battleship, It Is Reported.

[By Cable to The Tribune.]

Mexico City, Dec. 8.—Evidences appeared on every hand to-day to indicate that Provisional President Huerta is preparing for the worst. Most of the members of his family are in flight already from the capital, and there is a general movement of the government's supporters toward the border as the rebels close in on Mexico City.

The President's household went to Guadalajara, the capital of the State of Jalisco, from where it was said they would go to the Pacific port of Manzanillo, in the State of Colima. The party included Señora Huerta, Captain Luis Fuentes, President Huerta's son-in-law; Mrs. Fuentes and Miss Elena Huerta, another daughter. The trip of Señora Huerta and family is officially explained to be an excursion for pleasure only, as the Huerta family belongs to the State of Jalisco, of which Guadalajara is the capital. Señora Huerta departed last night in a military train. It is reported that safety may be sought on an American battleship.

In the mean time Congress meets to-morrow morning to ratify Huerta's actions as dictator and pass on the validity of the Presidential elections.

A telegram received from Cuernavaca announces that the Zapatistas again attacked the Federal outpost at La Herradura, the hill country between the Valley of Mexico and the State of Morelos, but were driven off in the engagement. They shouted they would avenge the death of their chief, so it is inferred that in the previous fighting one of their leaders was killed, either Genovevo de la O, Francisco Pacheco or Felipe Neri.

Other Zapata detachments are threatening Amecameca and Osmunda, on the northern boundary of Morelos, and increased activity has been displayed of late by the rebels in various parts of the south.

Unofficial information has been received here that the rebels to the south of Juarez have succeeded in placing Pascual Orozco, Jr., at a disadvantage by attacking him to-day.

The War Department has issued orders to Federal officers to instruct their men to use such methods in firing as not to waste the ammunition.

Eighteen former officials of the Huerta government who have been refugees at Nogales, Ariz., from Sonora since the Constitutionalists defeated General Ojeda in the battle of March 13, left to-day for Laredo, Tex., in obedience to orders from Mexico City. Other former Federal officials in the territory controlled by the insurgents have received orders to proceed to Mexican border points.

The complete rout of Huerta's army in Northern Mexico, with the flight of his generals for safety to the border and the demoralization of the unpaid troops was established to-day by the civilians and soldiers who deserted Chihuahua City and arrived at Ojinaga.

Adolfo de la Loma, Minister of Finance in the Cabinet of President Huerta, arrived at Havana from Vera Cruz on board the steamship Ypiranga. He is going to Europe by way of New York.

BLOW AT REVOLUTION

Detectives Raid Brooklyn Stores and Seize Firearms.

Acting on a suggestion from Washington authorities detectives raided three saloons outfitting stores in Brooklyn yesterday and confiscated large quantities of arms which are believed to have been intended for some revolution zone in South America.

The first raid was made upon the shop of Hugo Panzer, No. 9 Fulton street. Here the police found 150 new style revolvers and three cases of ammunition. The cases were marked for a Venezuelan port and Buenos Ayres. Panzer was taken before Magistrate Geisman, in the Adams street court, and held in \$1,500 bail on a charge of violating the Sullivan law.

In the store of Max Brown, No. 15 Hamilton avenue, detectives found in the cellar 28,000 rounds of ammunition. In the store of Samuel Brown, a brother of Max, at No. 21 Union street, 200 revolvers and 150,000 rounds of ammunition were found. The Browns were locked up.